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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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**For:** PLANT STARTER POT WITH REMOVABLE BASE

Enclosed are the following:

- (1) Specification ( 15 pages);
- (2) 10 Claims -- 2 independent, 8 dependent
- (3) Drawings (3 sheets, formal);
- (4) Declaration and Power of Attorney;
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